



SERIAL NO. 09/847,615

AMENDMENT - VERSION WITH MARKS
TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

An apparatus for mounting a wind turbine on the upper end of a wind turbine tower and. ~~The method of erecting the same, is also disclosed.~~ The tower is provided with a pair of spaced-apart guide rails positioned at one side thereof which extend from the lower end to the upper end of the tower. A carriage is movably mounted on the guide rails and has a platform pivotally mounted thereon adapted to support the wind turbine thereon. The carriage positions the wind turbine so that the spinner/hub and rotor blades may be secured thereto while the wind turbine is at the lower end of the tower and provides a means for slidably moving the wind turbine from the carriage to the upper end of the tower when the carriage has been winched to the upper end of the tower.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 4-6.

Please add new claim 7 as follows:

7. (New)

The method of mounting a wind turbine on the upper end of a vertically disposed wind turbine tower having upper and lower ends, comprising the steps of:

transporting a wind turbine support to said tower by means of a wheeled vehicle;
removably mounting the wind turbine support on said tower;
positioning a wind turbine on said wind turbine support;
winching said wind turbine support and said wind turbine upwardly with respect to said tower to the upper end thereof;
moving said wind turbine from said wind turbine support to the upper end of said tower;
securing said wind turbine to said tower;
winching said wind turbine support downwardly with respect to said tower;
removing said wind turbine support from said tower;
placing said wind turbine support on the wheeled vehicle; and
transporting the wind turbine support on the wheeled vehicle to another tower for use thereon.